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TAGS: SPOP, IN

SUBJECT: INDIAN REMARKS AT ESCAP CONFERENCE

REF: (A) STATE 22024 (B) NEW DELHI 1163

1. THE DEMOGRAPHIC GOAL OF THE DEFUNCT GOI DRAFT FIFTH FIVE YEAR PLAN, WAS TO REDUCE THE COUNTRY'S BIRTH RATE FROM AN ESTIMATED 35.6 PER THOUSAND IN 1974 TO 29.6 PER THOUSAND BY 1981 AND FURTHER TO 24.8 PER THOUSAND BY 1986. THE DRAFT PLAN DOCUMENT ALSO ASSUMED A PARALLEL REDUCTION IN THE DEATH RATE DURING THE ABOVE PERIOD FROM 15.2 PER THOUSAND IN 1974 TO 12.8 PER THOUSAND BY 1981 AND TO 11.1 PER THOUSAND BY 1986. THE RATE OF POPULATION GROWTH WAS PROJECTED IN THE PLAN DOCUMENT TO DECLINE FROM 903 PER CENT IN 1974 TO 1.7 PERCENT BY 1981 AND TO 1.37 PERCENT BY 1986. COPIES OF THE PLAN HAVE BEEN POUCHED TO THE DEPARTMENT.

2. THESE GOALS AND PROJECTIONS WERE CONFIRMED BY THE INDIAN DELEGATION AT BUCHAREST CONFERENCE. WE KNOW OF NO OFFICIAL POPULATION PROJECTIONS EXTENDING BEYOND 1986 UPON WHICH A GOI TARGET OF ATTAINING ZERO POPULATION GROWTH OR REPLACEMENT LEVEL FERTILITY BY THE YEAR 2000 COULD BE ACHIEVED. WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY THINKING BY FAMILY PLANNING OFFICIALS IN

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CONFERENCE.

3. A HEALTH MINISTRY

OFFICIALINFORMED US THAT THE GOI IS  
CURRENTLY IN PROCESS OF APPOINTING A HIGH LEVEL INTERNAL  
COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS  
FROM THE BUCHAREST AND BANGKOK MEETINGS AND THE NATIONAL  
CONFERENCE ON POPULATION HERE. WE SHALL KEEP WASHINGTON  
INFORMED OF ANY CHANGES IN GOI POPULATION POLICIES AND GOALS  
AS THEY OCCUR.  
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